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SUBJECT: ASEAN: RESULTS OF CONSULTATION WITH SOAMES

REF: A. STATE 187337 B. STATE 161838 C. BRUSSELS 5535

1. SECRETARY OF INDUSTRIES PATERNO, WHO ATTENDED TOKYO GATT DISCUSSIONS AND PARTICIPATED FOR PHILIPPINES IN ASEAN CONSULTATION WITH EC COMMISSIONER SOAMES, HAS TOLD EMBOFF THAT IN GENERAL CONSULTATIONS PROCEEDED VERY WELL. HE SAID THAT THE GROUP STAYED TOGETHER AS UNIFIED ASEAN REPRESENTATION AND THAT SOAMES SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN IMPRESSED BY THE FLEXIBILITY OF ASEAN REPS AND THE UNWILLINGNESS OF THE GROUP TO TRY TO PRESS FOR TOO MUCH IN THESE EARLY DISCUSSIONS.

2. IN EFFORT TO IMPROVE LIKELY EFFECT OF AN EXTENSION OF GSP BY  
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THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY TO ASEAN THE GROUP ASKED SOAMES TO CONSIDER

A REVISION OF THE DEFINITION OF EC RULES OF ORIGIN ON GSP TO ALLOW FOR PRODUCTS OF SPECIFIC ASEAN COUNTRIES AS WELL AS THOSE INCORPORATED IN PRODUCTION WHICH EITHER ORIGINATED IN ANOTHER ASEAN COUNTRY OR ORIGINATED IN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

3. PATERNO INDICATED THAT SPECIFIC CONCESSIONS MADE BY EC IN THESE DISCUSSIONS WERE:

- A) A CUT (UNSPECIFIED) IN TARIFF RATE ON PINEAPPLE;
- B) AN INCREASE IN THE QUANTITATIVE CEILING FOR PLYWOOD; AND
- C) A REDUCTION IN THE D FTY RATE ON INDUSTRIAL COCONUT OIL FROM 5 PERCENT TO 2-1/2 PERCENT.

THESE CONCESSIONS WERE MADE TO ALL ASEAN MEMBERS, ALTHOUGH THEY OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO PHILIPPINES.

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